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PORT HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, 1950

The following report is the record of Port Health Administration for the year 1950, detailed in form and sequence in accordance with the instructions of the Minister of Health contained in Memorandum 302/S.A. and Circular 103/50. As suggested in this circular, permanent arrangements, which were fully described in the reports for 1946–48 and are unaltered, are omitted from this Report.

I. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE A.

	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number reported to be defective	Number of vessels on which defects were remedied	Number of vessels on which defects were found and reported to Ministry of Transport Surveyors	Number of vessels reported as having, or having had, during the voyage infectious disease on board
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Sanitary Inspector				
Foreign—								
Steamers ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motor ...	7	722	2	7	—	—	—	—
Sailing ...	4	58	—	4	—	—	—	—
Fishing ..	20	324	2	16	—	—	—	—
Total	31	1104	4	27	—	—	—	—
Coastwise—								
Steamers ..	9	6401	1	9	—	—	—	—
Motor ..	14	2296	1	14	—	—	—	—
Sailing .	74	1655	2	74	—	—	—	—
Fishing ..	1280	6714	—	810	—	—	—	—
Total	1377	17066	4	907	—	—	—	—
Total Foreign and Coastwise	1408	18170	8	934	—	—	—	—

II. CHARACTER OF TRADE OF PORT.

TABLE B.

(*a*) *Passenger Traffic during the year.*

This is not a port approved under the Aliens Order, 1920.

(*b*) *Cargo Traffic.*

There were imports of three cargoes, one of timber, and two of slates ; and there were exports of eight cargoes of bricks.

III. WATER SUPPLY.

These arrangements are unaltered.

IV. PORT HEALTH REGULATIONS, 1933 and 1945.

These arrangements are unaltered.

TABLE C

Cases of Infectious Sickness landed from Vessels.

Disease	No. of Cases during the year		No. of Vessels concerned	Average No. of Cases for previous five years
	Passengers	Crew		
—	—	—	—	—

TABLE D.

Cases of Infectious Sickness occurring on Vessels during the voyage but disposed of prior to arrival.

Disease	No. of Cases during the year		No. of Vessels concerned	Average No. of Cases for previous five years
	Passengers	Crew		
—	—	—	—	—

No cases of plague, cholera, yellow fever, smallpox or typhus fever occurred on any vessel using the port, and no plague-infested rats were discovered.

V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

These arrangements are unaltered.

Tables E and F. There was no trace of rat infestation, and no rats were destroyed during the year. *Table G and Table H* are not applicable.

VI. HYGIENE OF CREWS' SPACES.

TABLE J.

Classification of Nuisances.

Nationality of Vessels	Number Inspected during the year	Defects of original construction	Structural defects through wear and tear	Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health
British ...	6	—	—	—
Other Nations...	24	—	—	—

VII. FOOD INSPECTION.

(1) *Action taken under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations,* 1937, *the Public Health (Imported Milk) Regulations,* 1926, *the Public Health (Preservatives, etc., in food) Regulations,* 1925 to 1940.

There were no imports of food.

(2) *Shell Fish.*

Information respecting any shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the P.H.A. stating whether they are, in the opinion of the Medical Officer, liable to pollution. Report of any action taken under the Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations, 1934, *or the Food and Drugs Act,* 1938.

There are no oyster or mussel beds within the jurisdiction of the Authority, and no action was taken under the above-mentioned Regulations or Act.

(3) *Number of samples of food examined* : Nil.